

Platt, Gladys Whitley, Ethel Frances Henderson, Helen Morrow, Pearl Williams, Zora Read.

Typists—Genevieve Koch, Helen Young, Mary Byron, Ruth Hey, Naomi Fuller.

#### APPOINTMENT OF PORTERS ANNOUNCED.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following porters:

Tom Kincheon, Joe Johnson, Aaron Jones, Henry Scroggins, Rufus Pope, Milton Nobles, Henry Moore, I. H. Smith, Lindsey Goodman, Robert Miller, Newt Collins, John White.

Porter to Speaker, Joseph M. Kemble.

#### ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. Williamson moved that the House adjourn until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

Mr. Fly moved that the House recess to 2:30 o'clock p. m. today.

The motion of Mr. Williamson prevailed, and the House accordingly, at 10:20 o'clock a. m., adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

#### FOURTH DAY.

(Thursday, May 12, 1927.)

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Bobbitt.

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Acker.	Duvall.
Albritton.	Enderby.
Alexander.	Eickenroht.
Avis.	Farrar.
Barron.	Faulk.
Bass.	Fly.
Bateman.	Forbes.
Beck.	Foster.
Bird.	Gilbert.
Black.	Graves.
Boggs.	Gray.
Bonham.	Hagaman.
Boon.	Hall.
Branch.	Harding.
Brice.	Harman.
Brown.	Hefley.
Conway.	High.
Cornwell.	Holder.
Cox.	Holland.
Cummings.	Hornaday.
Daniel.	Johnson
Davis.	of Anderson.
DeBerry.	Johnson
Denman.	of Dimmit.
Dielmann.	Jones.

Justice.	Rogers of Shelby.
Kayton.	Rowell.
Keeton.	Runge.
Kemble.	Sanders.
Kennedy.	Satterwhite.
Kincaid.	Shaver.
King of Hopkins.	Shearer.
King of	Sheats.
Throckmorton.	Shirley.
Kirkland.	Simmons.
Land.	Sinks.
Lipscomb.	Smith of El Paso.
Long.	Smith of Nueces.
Loy.	Smith of Smith.
Masterson.	Snelgrove.
McCombs.	Stevenson.
McGill.	Stout.
McKean.	Sutton.
Merritt.	Swain.
Minor.	Taylor.
Morse.	Teer.
Moursund.	Tillotson.
Murphy.	Turner.
Nabors.	Van Zandt.
Nicholson.	Veatch.
Olsen.	Walker.
Parish of Runnels.	Wallace
Pavlica.	of Freestone.
Pearce.	Wallace of Panola.
Petsch.	Wallace of Smith.
Poage.	Ware.
Pool.	Wassell.
Pope.	Webb.
Porter.	Wells.
Powell.	Whitaker.
Purl.	Williams
Rawlins.	of Sabine.
Reagan.	Williams
Renfro	of Travis.
of Angelina.	Williamson.
Renfro of Mills.	Woodall.
Rogers of Hays.	Young.

#### Absent.

Kirby.	Montgomery.
Loftin.	Smyth.

#### Absent—Excused.

Anderson.	Kenyon.
Barnett.	Kinnear.
Dunlap.	Parrish of Travis.
Finlay.	Smith of Atascosa.
Fuchs.	Stell.
Gates.	Storey.
Gibson.	Waddell.
Hogg.	Woodruff.
Jacks.	

A quorum was announced present.

Prayer was offered by Rev. J. C. Mitchell, Chaplain.

#### LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of important business:

Mr. Woodruff for today, on motion of Mr. Cox.

Mr. Barnett for today and the balance of the week, on motion of Mr. Conway.

Mr. Finlay for today, on motion of Mr. Merritt.

Mr. Waddell for today, on motion of Mr. Eickenroht.

Mr. Storey for today, on motion of Mr. Daniel.

Mr. Kenyon for today, on motion of Mr. Jones.

Mr. Smith of Atascosa for yesterday, today and the remainder of the week, on motion of Mr. Shearer.

Mr. Jacks for today, on motion of Mr. Purl.

Mr. Gates for last Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, on motion of Mr. Rogers of Hays.

Mr. Powell for today and the balance of the week, on motion of Mr. Williams of Travis.

Mr. Fuchs for today and the balance of the week, on motion of Mr. Smith of Nueces.

The following member was granted leave of absence on account of sickness:

Mr. Parish of Runnels for last Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, today and the balance of the week, on motion of Mr. Rogers of Shelby.

#### HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following House bills, introduced today, were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

By Mr. Smith of Smith:

H. B. No. 10, A bill to be entitled "An Act for the purpose of promoting the public school interests of rural schools and those of small towns, of aiding the people to provide adequate school facilities for the education of their children, by the appropriation of three million (\$3,000,000) dollars per year, or so much thereof as may be necessary for the next two fiscal years, ending August 31, 1928, and August 31, 1929, respectively, allowing the State Board of Education and the State Superintendent of Public Instruction to aid such schools in accordance with the conditions herein specified; providing how such school shall be located and school buildings constructed, furnished, and maintained; providing certain prerequisites for the granting of such aid, and providing no school having over four hundred scholastics, or any school located in a district of over five hundred (500) scholastics,

shall receive such aid; giving preference to all school districts in which the available fund together with the local district tax will not maintain the school six months in the year; limiting the amount which any school may receive; providing for aid for schools where extraordinary conditions prevent schools from meeting stated requirements; providing assistance for such rural schools as afford instructions and demonstrations in home and farm vocations, according to plans approved by the State Department of Education; providing assistance for small districts which effect consolidation during the next two fiscal years; providing for the expense of administration by action of the State Board of Education; providing for reports to be made to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction and to the State Board of Education; providing for the manner of payment and disbursements of all money granted under the provisions of this Act; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Long:

H. B. No. 11, A bill to be entitled "An Act making an appropriation to be used for the erection of a monument in the city of Crockett, Houston county, Texas, in memory of David Crockett, a Texas hero, who was killed in the Battle of the Alamo, in Texas' struggle for freedom; said appropriation to be used, together with other funds, for said purpose from private donations; providing the means, agencies and expenditures of said fund and erection of the monument, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

#### RELATING TO BASEBALL GAME.

Mr. Loy offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The Senate has seen fit to accept the challenge of the House to play a baseball game for the benefit of the flood and tornado sufferers of this State; and

Whereas, The heads of all departments have agreed to close their offices in order that all employes of their departments may be allowed to attend this benefit baseball game; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Speaker release all employes of the House at 3 o'clock on Thursday, May 12th, or when the game

is played, in order that they may attend this game.

Signed—Loy, Woodall, Swain, Olsen, Faulk.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

#### PROVIDING FOR TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH EXPENSES.

Mr. Kemble offered the following resolution:

Whereas, It will be necessary for members of the House to incur some telephone and telegraph expenses while serving during the present session of the Legislature; therefore, be it

Resolved, That each member be reimbursed for the actual expenses incurred on account of telephone and telegraph messages not to exceed ten (\$10) dollars, to be paid out of the contingent expense fund of the House.

Signed—Kemble, Shaver, McCombs, Runge, Morse, Nicholson, Wells, Harding.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber.

Austin, Texas, May 12, 1927.

Hon. Robert Lee Bobbitt, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed

S. B. No. 2, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriations to pay salaries of judges, and the support and maintenance of the judicial department of the State government for the two-year period beginning September 1, 1927, and ending August 31, 1929, and declaring an emergency."

S. C. R. No. 1, Requesting all State Departments to close for the baseball game.

S. B. No. 3, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriations to pay the salaries of officers and employes of certain eleemosynary institutions of the State and other expenses of maintaining and conducting them for the two fiscal years beginning September 1, 1927, and ending August 31, 1929, as follows, to-wit: Abilene State Hospital, Austin State School, Austin State Hospital, Pasteur Institute, Confederate Home, Confederate Woman's Home, Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institute for Colored Youths,

Girls' Training School, Home for Dependent and Neglected Children, State Hospital for Crippled and Deformed Children at Galveston, State Juvenile Training School, State Orphan Home, Rusk State Hospital, San Antonio State Hospital, Terrell State Hospital, State Tuberculosis Sanatorium, Wichita Falls State Hospital, State Psychopathic Hospital and Criminal Delinquent Negro Girls' Home, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,

MORRIS C. HANKINS,

Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

#### RELATIVE TO ECONOMICAL ADMINISTRATION.

Mr. Renfro of Angelina offered the following resolution:

Whereas, This administration is pledged to an economical program; and

Whereas, It was heralded from stump and stage that the revenues of State were sufficient to run the government if economically administered; and

Whereas, We need a more efficient common school system; and

Whereas, Education of the masses is very essential to the promotion of a republic form of government; and

Whereas, The great mass of people are clamoring for more money for the common school; and

Whereas, Our eleemosynary institutions are not able to take care of the unfortunates of our State, and at this time there are quite a number of insane people in the jails of our State, having no room in the insane asylum for them; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives in Call Session assembled, That we redeem our pledges to the people by properly financing the common school systems and also making ample provisions for taking care of our unfortunates and keeping our expenditures in bounds of State revenues, and not burden the people with additional taxes.

The resolution was read second time.

Question—Shall the resolution be adopted?

#### APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE CLERKS ANNOUNCED.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following committee clerks:

William J. Gerron, B. T. Fitzhugh, Randall Taylor, John R. Anderson, Arthur Jackson, J. M. Dunn.

## ADDRESS BY GENERAL J. C. FOSTER AND MISS KATIE DAFFAN.

Mr. Acker offered the following resolution:

Whereas, Miss Katie Daffan of Ennis, Texas, the illustrious daughter of a Confederate soldier who served with noble distinction on the field of battle; distinguished authoress, preeminent in the field of journalistic endeavor, the embodiment of the noblest traditions characterizing the Southern civilization, who honors Texas as Texas honors her, is now in the Hall of the House of Representatives; and

Whereas, General Foster, a distinguished general of the Confederate Army, has been invited to address the House; therefore, be it

Resolved, That this esteemed and noted daughter of Texas be invited to address the House from the platform with General Foster.

Signed—Acker, Farrar, Petsch, Stout, Reagan, Kirby.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

In accordance with the above action the Speaker announced the appointment of the following committee to escort General J. C. Foster and Miss Katie Daffan to the Speaker's stand:

Messrs. Kirby, Fly, Sinks, Rawlins, Duvall, Boggs, Williams of Sabine, Simmons, Black, Farrar, Petsch, Stout, Reagan, Rogers of Hays and King of Hopkins.

The committee appointed to escort the honorable visitors to the Speaker's stand appeared at the bar of the House, and being admitted, performed the duty assigned them.

Speaker Bobbitt presented Hon. John H. Kirby, who in turn presented Hon. Walter C. Acker.

Colonel Acker then introduced General J. C. Foster, who addressed the House.

Speaker Bobbitt introduced Mrs. J. C. Foster, who also addressed the House.

Speaker Bobbitt presented Hon. Boud Farrar, who introduced Miss Katie Daffan.

Miss Daffan then addressed the House.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT  
ANNOUNCED.

The Speaker announced the assignment of Hon. A. P. Johnson to serve on the following standing committees:

Constitutional Amendments, Privileges, Suffrage and Elections, Live Stock and Stock Raising, Banks and Banking, and Agriculture.

## PROVIDING FOR STATE EMPLOYEES TO ATTEND BALL GAME.

The Speaker laid before the House, for consideration at this time, the following resolution:

S. C. R. No. 1, Providing for employees to attend ball game.

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring, That all of the State Departments be requested to close tomorrow afternoon, May 12, so that the officers and employees may have the opportunity of attending the ball game to be played between the Senate and House, the proceeds of which will go to the unfortunate in this State who are suffering as the result of the recent cyclones.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

## SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following Senate bills, received from the Senate today, were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

Senate bill No. 2, to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate bill No. 3, to the Committee on Appropriations.

## RECESS.

On motion of Mr. Satterwhite the House, at 12 o'clock m., took recess to 2 o'clock p. m. today.

## AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met at 2 o'clock p. m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

RELATING TO GENERAL  
APPROPRIATIONS.

The House resumed consideration of pending business, same being resolution offered by Mr. Renfro of Angelina, relative to general appropriations, the resolution having heretofore been read second time.

On motion of Mr. Renfro of Angelina, further consideration of the resolution was postponed until 11 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

## ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Loy, the House, at 2:30 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 11 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.